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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No.	124736-1040
First Inventor	Alan B. Nierenberg
Title	Method and Apparatus for Regasification of LNG Onboard a Carrier
Express Mail Label No.	EL 723941173 US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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  2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
  3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages (preferred arrangement set forth below)
    - Descriptive title of the invention
    - Cross Reference to Related Applications
    - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
    - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
    - Background of the Invention
    - Brief Summary of the Invention
    - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
    - Detailed Description
    - Claim(s)
    - Abstract of the Disclosure
  4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total   - 5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages   - a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
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(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☒ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
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16. ☐ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
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Serial No.:

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Inventor: Nierenberg, Alan B.

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Assignee: El Paso Corporation

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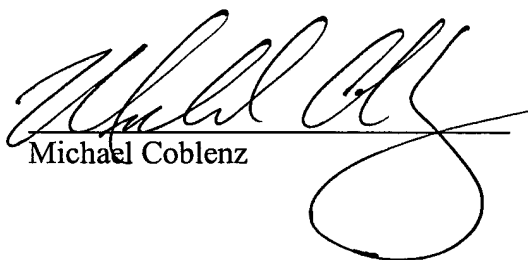
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- (3) Patent Application, with three (3) sheets of drawings;
- (4) Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- (5) Assignment with Recordation Cover Sheet;
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Respectfully submitted,

  
Michael Coblenz

Date: 2/27/02

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Application Number  
Filing Date February 27, 2002  
First Named Inventor Alan B. Nierenberg  
Examiner Name  
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Attorney Docket No. 124736-1040

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR § 1.27

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## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

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101 740	201 370	Utility filing fee	740.00
106 330	206 165	Design filing fee	
107 510	207 255	Plant filing fee	
108 740	208 370	Reissue filing fee	
114 160	214 80	Provisional filing fee	
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### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
7	-20** = 0	X	0.00
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Large Entity Fee Code (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20	
102 84	202 42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104 280	204 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109 84	209 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
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105 130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127 50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139 130	139 130	Non - English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month	
116 400	216 200	Extension for reply within second month	
117 920	217 460	Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,440	218 720	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128 1,960	228 980	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 320	219 160	Notice of Appeal	
120 320	220 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 280	221 140	Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,280	241 640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142 1,280	242 640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 460	243 230	Design issue fee	
144 620	244 310	Plant issue fee	
122 130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123 50	123 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(q)	
126 180	126 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	
581 40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40.00
146 740	246 370	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149 740	249 370	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
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